

PARIS PIKE CORRIDOR COMMISSION

MINUTES

7th Floor Conference Room
LFUCG Phoenix Building

April 14, 2014

Attendance

Members Present: Ben Blyton; Johnny Brennan; Bettye Burns; Harry Park; and Dan Thompson.

Staff Present: Bill Sallee; Barbara Rackers; and Stephanie Cunningham

Others Present Henry Alexander; Derek Paulsen, Commissioner of Planning, Preservation and Development

Chairman Thompson called the meeting of the Paris Pike Corridor Commission to order at 12:05 p.m. on April 14, 2014.

Mr. Thompson stated that the minutes of the January 13, 2014, meeting had been presented for approval. A motion was made by Ms. Burns, seconded by Mr. Park, and carried 4-0 to approve the minutes, including the necessary correction.

Mr. Thompson stated that he would like to welcome Mr. Henry Alexander, who was a former Chair of the Paris Pike Corridor Commission.

OLD BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS - None

COMMISSION ITEMS

1. Honoring Current and Former PPCC Members

Mr. Blyton stated that he would like to honor Mr. Thompson and Mr. Alexander, since 2014 marks the 20th anniversary of the Paris Pike Corridor Commission. He asked Derek Paulsen, Commissioner of Planning, Preservation, and Development, to present certificates of appreciation to the honorees.

Dr. Paulsen stated that Mayor Jim Gray and Governor Steve Beshear had both wished to be in attendance, particularly since Governor Beshear was the first Chair of the PPCC. However, both the Mayor and the Governor were occupied in the last day of the General Assembly's legislative session. Dr. Paulsen stated that Governor Beshear had, as a token of appreciation for their hard work on the Paris Pike project, designated April 14, 2014, as "Dan Thompson and Henry Alexander Day." He presented Mr. Thompson and Mr. Alexander with plaques commemorating the occasion.

Mr. Blyton read the following letter from Governor Beshear:

"On behalf of the Commonwealth, I would like to express my personal appreciation for your diligent service as Chairman of the Paris Pike Corridor Commission. As we mark the Corridor's 20th anniversary, it's fitting to recognize your dedication to the beautification and historic preservation of this 14-mile route, one of the most scenic byways in America. I was honored to serve as the founding Chairman of this Commission to reconstruct Paris Pike, entered into Inter-Local Agreement in 1993. The cooperation of various interests was crucial, and well worth the collaborative effort. Your leadership and fair guidance since that time has kept operations running smoothly and earned Paris Pike national recognition as a model for roadway design, land use, and preservation. Many lives have undoubtedly been touched by your work. Thank you again for your work to maintain the beauty, safety, and quality of life for Kentuckians and our guests in this region.

Sincerely,
Steve Beshear"

Dr. Paulsen also presented Mr. Thompson and Mr. Alexander with resolutions in their honor.

2. Rock Fences on Paris Pike

Mr. Park stated that one of the stretches of rock fence along Paris Pike, near Payson Stud Farm, was in terrible shape. Mr. Alexander added that it appeared that someone had been working on it recently.

Mr. Thompson stated that he would contact the KYDOT District 7 office about the fence.

STAFF ITEMS – No such items were presented.

OTHER BUSINESS – No such items were presented.

ADJOURNMENT – There being no further business, Chairman Thompson declared the meeting adjourned at 12:30 p.m.